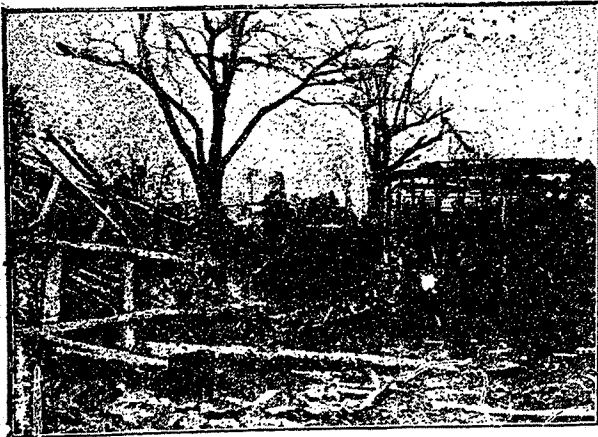


AFTER THE YANKS WRESTED CANTIGNY FROM THE HUN



What was left of Cantigny when the Germans were driven out



Taking a wounded prisoner to the field hospital



How to be happy though wounded

CENTRAL OFFICE FOR A.E.F. RECORDS

Troublesome Paper Work Now Being Absorbed in Vast Warehouse

YOUR WHOLE STORY THERE

Catalogue Tells When You Arrived In France and What You've Done Since

The Central Records office—recently moved from G.H.Q. to the little village of St. Pierre des Corps, not far from Tours—is gradually absorbing some of the paper work that used to harass the separate units of the A.E.F. and is likely, as time goes on, to absorb a good deal more.

It is an office so large that it makes the biggest newspaper city room in America look like a hall bedroom and makes the office of THE STARS AND STRIPES look like a window ledge. Within this one-room warehouse 721 feet long, in which, as you look in from the main entrance, the rows upon rows of typewriters and filing cabinets stretch far away in the distance, are kept the statistics of all of us. It is the index of the A.E.F.

Will Centralize Work

It is the new tendency of the A.E.F. to draw in toward Headquarters the great burden of the Army's paper work, on the theory that the work will be better done there than in the crude and temporary quarters of moving companies, and that the records will be clearer and more accurate the less they are left to men selected not for their clerical talents but for their gifts as commanders of troops, for their fitness as fighters.

There is a great likelihood, for instance, that before long the service records, which are forever going astray or being crudely indexed, will be kept at Headquarters. They may be kept at this Central Records office or for the purposes of pay calculations more nearly within reach of the Chief Quartermaster. Already, service records innumerable do pour into the Central Records Office, those of men in hospital or of soldiers killed in action, and service records that have gone astray.

But in other ways this bureau is of great importance in the life of every man in the A.E.F. from the most high and mighty officers to the lowest form of human life extant in the uttermost back section. There, no matter how much he may move about, is recorded his whereabouts in a card catalogue that compares favorably in size with big public libraries.

Catalogue Must Be Accurate

The accuracy of this catalogue depends on the faithfulness with which the various statistical sections and sub-sections do their work. As the Army post office depends on this catalogue for all the re-directing of mail, the speed with which a wandering letter pursues and catches up with a wandering soldier depends on the accuracy and speed of the statistical clerks scattered throughout the A.E.F.

This catalogue tells when you arrived in France and marks each move you have made since then. There are other catalogues there in which various fascinating facts about you are gravely recorded.

Tells Just What You Are

Each card in this qualification index is further adorned with a little red or green clip at the top, so placed as to tell an index expert at a glance whether you are a dentist's assistant and an able-bodied seaman, or a second tenor and a cabinet-maker. By glancing at the drawers assigned to this or that division the librarian can tell immediately how many chauffeurs such and such a regiment has, or in what regiment there

VILLAGE PRIEST GETS BIG SURPRISE

Curé Calls Down Congregation, but Yanks Think He Means Them

The curé of a little village church down in the S.O.S. got it into his head that his parishioners were overcharging the Americans for laundry work, for chocolate, for souvenirs, and other things. Being a downright sort of person he decided that something must be done about it.

Next Sunday, in his church, filled one-half with his own congregation and the other half with *les soldats américains*, he proceeded to read the former the riot act. In accents strong and French, he laid down the law. "Vous demandez cinq francs quand vous avez droit à un franc seulement!" was one of the points he laid stress on again and again by way of telling the faithful that some of them were asking five times more than they had a right to.

Cinq Francs by the Bushel

The Americans didn't know much French, but they had been over here long enough to know *cinq francs* when they heard it. They heard it so often in the course of that sermon that they thought that was what the good man wanted from each and every one of them.

So when *M. le curé* started down the main aisle right after the beginning of the credo to take up the collection he was fairly swamped with five-franc notes. Every O.D. blouse was unbuttoned and from every one came the little blue paper. By the time he had got down the main aisle and was going to turn up the side aisle, they had so exhausted the collection basket's capacity that he had to make an apron out of his cassock. And he couldn't understand it at all.

The chaplain of the particular American unit that thus shelled out sat in the back of the church. Knowing French—and also the boys—he was surprised at the outlay. Later, he inquired, and found out what prompted it. Then the boys and he had a mighty good laugh.

Not so the French priest when he heard about it. He was horror-struck. "I must get that money back to them! It's not right! I must give it back!" he exclaimed.

"No, you mustn't, brother," laughed the American chaplain. "I told the boys all about it, and they say the lesson in French was cheap at the price. Besides, your sermon hit home so hard they've more than saved five francs apiece this last week in town!"

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might be an oversupply of horsehoes much needed elsewhere.

Move on the next desk and you see the records of the soldiers who have died in France, and, further on, the casualty records. You will even find a Buck Department where are settled the knotty problems that arise when some unit cheerfully passes said back to the Central Records Office.

Some officers are attached here and some field clerks, but for the most part the work is done by enlisted men. Probably most of them sigh for more adventurous work, and no doubt one of them who has toiled over the bill with a type-writer under each arm feels like writing home: "I brought down two machines today," and letting it go at that.

However, they are cheered up when they remember that the major in command is fresh from nearly two years of active service with the cavalry of the British and Persian armies.

STEADY PROGRESS, AMERICA'S REPORT

Country's Push to Win War Grows More Determined With Every Hour

GLOOMY GUS TYPE MISSING

National Spirit of Confidence Result of Absolute Assurance of Good Work

BY J. W. MULLER
American Staff Correspondent of THE STARS AND STRIPES

[BY CABLE TO THE STARS AND STRIPES.]

NEW YORK, June 20.—There is continuously satisfactory news of steady progress along practically every line of war work. Both the Gloomy Gus and Barnum types have faded quite away from the stage for the time being at least, and the whole country appears to me to express a tranquil and perfectly spontaneous sense of that quality of confidence which comes from absolute assurance of good work.

Your excellent editorial of May 24, "Those Gloomy Gusses," expresses not only your own ideas but the general idea of the American people, so far as I can tell from my constant and careful observation and correspondence. My dispatches have consistently discounted both pessimistic and optimistic reports of the past months, my duty to you was to keep you fully advised even if things went wrong, but the absolute truth was as I have said every week, and this has now been demonstrated beyond all possibility of doubt.

We had a huge machine to build, and huge troubles were naturally bound to occur; but every sane and wise observer could see continuing progress daily. You need not have one single doubt of the purpose and ability of your country to stand behind you and make good.

Pushing Harder Every Hour

The whole heart and body of America is in this push, and it is going to push harder every hour. Flamboyant statements are disgusting, but this fact is magnificently true, and I am thrilled anew by every manifestation of the fine temper and devotion of our nation.

Sensational headlines are truly, miles away from presenting a real picture of America, due to the headlong system of gathering news which gives utterly insignificant subjects a huge though transient prominence. I could send a list of many scores of apparently important sensations of the past months that vanished again utterly from discussion within 24 hours.

I strongly advise the Army to read belated newspapers from the States with the knowledge in mind that American journalism has a huge task.

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The American soldier, whenever he gets a chance, likes to domesticate himself. In that respect he is coming to be more and more like his British contemporary. An example of this is shown in the Marine camp down at G.H.Q. where every one of the little red "barrackses" has its flower bed, the bright-colored pansies predominating. The walks are kept as scrupulously clean and tidied up as though they were on a millionaire's estate back home.

But aside from the little private flower beds that adorn the fronts and sides of the huts, there is one grand big set piece in a corner of the grounds. Here, in the center, is a carefully graded mound of earth, neatly covered with closely cropped sod, in the shape of a five pointed star. And on either side are similar decorative mounds in the shapes of a club, a diamond, a spade, and a heart!

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